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request for unanimous consent to bracket LB 652 until January 1st, 2000. Any objections? Seeing none, so ordered. Next item, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, with respect to LB 240, I have Enrollment and Review amendments, Senator Smith, first of all, Senator. (AM7145, Legislative Journal page 2006.)

SENATOR COORDSEN: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. President, I move the adoption of E & R amendments to LB 240.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Motion is to adopt the E & R amendments to LB 240. Those in favor please say aye. Opposed nay. They are adopted. Next item, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Raikes, Mr. President, would move to amend with AM1732. (Legislative Journal page 2134.)

SENATOR COORDSEN: Senator Raikes, AM1732.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. This bill deals with the foster care review board, and...or, review boards, and some changes we have made in the statutes regarding those boards. One of the changes we made was to allow more flexibility in the number of local board members permitted or allowed in the statute. It was...it used to require five members, and we changed that to allow from four to ten. Well, as a result of that, we impacted another part of the statute which directed the terms for each of those five members. Because we allowed more flexibility and went from four to ten, the other statute language no longer is applicable. So all this amendment does, it's fairly technical, it just changes the terms of local board members to three years each. So again, that's...it's a mechanical or a technical type of an amendment to make other parts of the statute consistent with what we've done earlier on this bill. So with that, I would urge your support of your amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Raikes. Debate on LB or on AM1732? Seeing none, Senator Raikes, did you wish to say